OLD ENGLAND:
OR,
The NATIONAL GAZETTE.

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Adde parum parvo, magnus acervus erit.
OVID.

THIS being the laſt Day of our Appearance in the old Year, a Recapitulation of ſome of the moſt intereſting Subjects treated in it, would be far from being unuſeful. A comprehenſive View of foreign and domeſtic Affairs would, in ſuch a Recapitulation, neceſſarily be exhibited: But, as the reviewing one's own Performances, looks more like gratifying the Vanity of an Author, than informing the Curioſity of a Reader, ſince the Memory of the laſt may render the Review of the firſt uſeleſs, I ſhall find another Buſineſs to ſpeak to.

This Buſineſs is alſo peculiar to the End of a Year as well as the other, had it been proſecuted, might have been. 'Tis to ſettle Accounts. I can't take upon me to ſay, what will be the Sentiments of the Generality of my Readers, upon the Propriety of Time and Circumſtance juſt aſſerted: But of this, with ſome Certainty, I can affirm, That my Opinion will not be ill ſupported: My trading Readers (as Man, (and a few let me tell the Gentry, who read, theſe reading Traders are not) will maintain the Poſition, "That the End of the Year and the Cloſe of the Debt ſhould be inſeparable;" or, in other words, That all Accounts between Man and Man, honeſt Gentleman and Trader, ſhould be yearly adjuſted; and Induſtry ſent home laden with the joyful Burden of her Harveſt.

'Tis not to the Matter in hand, however intereſting it muſt be to Parties concerned, whether theſe Accounts *are*, which *ſhould be*, adjuſted. I am not impolite enough to enter into ſuch offenſive Diſquiſitions. Tho' another, and perhaps truer, Reaſon is, That let me comment ever ſo much on the modiſh Diſtaſte to Accounts and Figures, (I would not ſay, modiſh Diſtaſte to paying Debts, becauſe I would not offend the Miniſtry) I ſhould but comment in vain: and all my fine Oratory and declaiming Admonitions, like Mr. *F*——g's *Wit* and *Humour*, would be either cruelly neglected becauſe not underſtood, or ridiculed becauſe envied, and conſequently thrown away.

While we are glancing on the Accounts of private Men, the Tranſition is ſo eaſy to the Accounts of the Public, that though we forbear ſaying much, we cannot forbear thinking much, of them.—— Indeed, it muſt be confeſſed, nothing ever more deſerved or wanted to be thought of. Should we ſay, ſomething is altogether as neceſſary to be done now, towards the Annihilation of all Excreſcences which have cored to the natural Body of theſe Accounts, none there could be, who, with the Face of Honeſty, would deny the ſalutary Tendency of ſuch an Aſſertion. Were this ſufficiently attended to, were Civil Liſt Revenues retrenched, were Bribes and Penſions grown out of Faſhion, were foreign Subſidies deemed grievous Expences to a People who can receive no Benefit from them and therefore diſcontinued; in a word, were we governed by Men, who have not more Ambition than Ability, who can blend Patriotiſm with Policy (and without ſuch a Junction, Policy is but Folly)—Were theſe Bleſſings ours, (and who will preſume to ſay they are not?) I ſhould have as much Pleaſure in their Repreſentation, as I ſhould have Chagrin could I think the ſad Reverſe of them was now real.—If I lay any Conſtraint on my Thoughts, 'tis owing to a Seaſon of the Year, in which the Joys, ought to be unalloy'd with the Hardſhips, of Mankind: And as wiſe Phyſicians tell us nothing conduces more to Health than a due Exhilleration of the animal Spirits, or an equal Degree of Mirth, methinks (liſted in the Service of the Common Health) I ſhould but perform a wayward Duty, in damping private Felicity, by expoſing, tho' to provide againſt, public Evil: Eſpecially, when it is conſidered, what a Number of my Patients are liable to the *Hypochondria*, and that Conſumptions (which the ſame Phyſicians call the *Endemical* (natural) *Diſeaſe* of *Old England*) are produced by diſagreeable Images; or, in other Terms, that a diſturbed Mind generally brings with it a ſick Body. 'Tis therefore for the ſake of the Health of the good People of *England*, that the Accounts which I have to ſettle are not thoſe of the Nation, which (as well as other Accounts of a more private Kind) ſo frequently give the Head-ach, Heartburn, &c. but are quite of a harmleſs, ſalutary Nature; and for this Reaſon, think it full Time to declare what they are.

Theſe Accounts regard my Correſpondents, a minor Group of whom I am now to uſher into Light. That ſome of them have been hid ſo long I muſt excuſe by obſerving, I was very far from neglecting them, but the Shortneſs of the Pieces prevented their earlier Appearance. What was the only Misfortune in theſe was the only Merit in others, which I am not ill-natured enough to publiſh; for while 'tis undoubtedly right to encourage the Endeavours of Ingenuity, we ought not to preſs too hard upon the Weakneſs of thoſe Endeavours. All have not, tho' all may ſtrive for, the *beati Genii*; and we ought not to add Ridicule to ill Succeſs, by laughing too openly at it, however amply we might in ſecret indulge that titillating, deriding Senſation.

Theſe little Eſſays of Wit are all poetical: I ſhall inſert them according to their Dates, without giving the Offence of Pre-eminence. All that I ſhall further ſay of them, is, they were ſent to me as, and I believe them to be, Originals.

To JONATHAN FREE, *Eſq*;

SIR,

IF you think the following worth your Acceptance, I believe the Public will hardly think otherwiſe. This makes it unneceſſary to declare the Reaſon of ſending it. I can aſſure you, it is founded on a true Story, and no Piece of fancied Ridicule.

SIR, I am your humble Servant.

June 20.

The Cockneys *Surpriz'd. A* Tale.

A plump Country-Rector, reſiding in Town,
(A Curate, half-ſtarv'd, left reforming the Clown)
Pleas'd, ſelects from his Tythes, fat Geeſe — ſay a Score ——
Brings up the dear Cargo, and eats one or more
(If Liars a'n't buſy) at every new Meal —
But now let our Purpoſe the Story unveil.
Our Geeſe and our Women, as ſhrewd ones report,
May cackle at Pleaſure in Town, Ville, or Court:
Tho', ſtiff in Opinion, Law-Sages adviſe-ye,
The Statute of Nuſance could ſoon make both eaſy.
Be that as it may—They ſcream'd out ſuch a Din,
Pardie, not the good Women for Worlds could I mean,
No —'Twas the Rector's fat Geeſe, ſet up ſuch a Squall
As alarm'd the poor Cockneighs from *'Change* to old *Paul*.
What Noiſe is *that there?* a Cit, wond'ring, cries:
One gueſs'd they were *Aſſes*; another, *Magpies:*
A third Man would have it a Rook'ry was near;
While a Fourth was quite ſure 'twas the *wonderful Bear:*
A grave Cit the Fifth, who, on duly weighing,
Believ'd, for's own Part, *young Horſes* were *neighing*.
Many more the Conjectures advanc'd and allow'd,
When a cloſe Country Put, liſt'ning fly in the Croud,
With a Sneer told the Cits, "He ſaw the Town-Faſhions
Were proudly diſowning poor *Country Relations*."
Cries a *Wit* of old *Bow*, cock-ſure of his Paces,
And, burſting with Laughter, *I ſaid they were Aſſes.*

RUSTICUS.

The next ſeems to be a Sufferer in or by Love, either to have quarelled with his Lady becauſe ſhe was not kind enough, or diſguſted with her becauſe ſhe had been too kind. The Ladies (for whom I have the neareſt and deareſt Regard) would do well to conſider theſe unlucky Extremes, that they may learn to avoid them; for as they are the faireſt Flowers in the Creation, the ſlighteſt Sully is the more hurtful to, and diſcernible in, them. 'Tis for their Uſe, that I give the Senſe of the *Latin* Motto, (applied on this Occaſion by their hardy Cenſor) in the *Engliſh* Proverb, *The burnt Child dreads the Fire.* I ſhall likewiſe, to ſave Room, cut off the Ceremonials of this and the following Piece.

The ESCAPE.

Tranquillas etiam naufragus horret æquas.

NO more of *Woman's* Charms I ſing,
Nor joyous ſtrike the trembling String;
No more the Hills and Vales ſhall ring,
Nor babling Echo mock the Sound.

I've caſt the Sorcereſs from my Breaſt,
With *Cupid's* Arts no more diſtreſt,
Secure my Soul ſhall take her Reſt,
Nor dread the Snare and ſecret Wound.

Like *Syrens* on the wat'ry Way,
They ſmile, they ſing, and then betray,
Enchanted by the tuneful Lay,
We haſte to mix the magic Train.

Too ſoon deceiv'd we quit the Shore,
Too late the ſad Event deplore,
'Till by the rapid Current bore,
Remote we're ſhipwreck'd on the Main.

ANTAMOR.

The following Correſpondent differs from the laſt: This appears as much in Love, as the other did in Anger; which I ſuppoſe is the Reaſon he forgot to wake out of his Dream. But 'tis as dangerous to criticize a Poet in Love, as 'tis to play with a Madman; ſo that it will be prudent to ſilence Remarks.

The DREAM.

AS Morn approach'd I ſlumb'ring lay,
And o'er the Meadows ſeem'd to ſtray.
The God of Love my only Guide,
His Quiver rattling at his Side.
From hence may no one prove ſo ſtupid,
A real Guide to make of *Cupid.*
The Winds were huſh'd, the Sky ſerene,
The Sun ſhone bright to gild the Scene,
Touch'd by his Beams, the ſlight white Froſt
Inſtant in pearly Drops was loſt;
The little *Red-Breaſt* mounts the Spray
And warbles out a grateful Lay.
Delighted with th' enchanting Views,
I then invok'd the rural Muſe
To ſing the Beauties of the Place:
When lo! a Nymph of mildeſt Grace
Appear'd! I proſtrate fell, and ſaid,
"Too great the Boon, cœleſtial Maid,
"(For ſure cœleſtial thou muſt be
"Not earth born, but ſome Deity)
"Thus on your Suppliant to beſtow
"A Smile: Can Godheads ſtoop ſo low!"
Then half recovering the Surprize
(I ſcarce had Strength enough to riſe)

Vaniſ

Vaniſh'd the Nymph!——Young *Cupid* ſpoke.
" From yon' bright Eyes this Dart I took;
" Prepare (he cries) ſo twang'd his Bow
" And let (he ſaid) this pointed Blow
" Explain the Error thou didſt fall in;
" The Muſe you ſaw was——fair Miſs *A**n.*
Oct. 24. PHILOTUS.

The laſt of theſe poetical Correſpondents that will appear, thinks *Old England* the proper Channel to prefer his Prayer about a Wife: It muſt be confeſſed a very intereſting Subject, and ſuch a one as may always command my Attention. At the ſame Time I am aware, the Wits will be ſarcaſtical on the Occaſion, and give us to underſtand, *Old England* (meaning the Nation) has nothing to do with Prayers. They may enjoy their Wit as far as the Pun will go; but let them take Care they raiſe no Imputation of Profaneneſs againſt the Morals of *Old England*, or *The National Gazette*. If they do ſo againſt the other *Old England*, they muſt neceſſarily include themſelves, which to be ſure will be a terrible Mortification to them, as they are known to be unuſually ſolicitous in preſerving the Character of their *invaluable Morals!* —— But let the good Supplicator put an End to theſe confabulatory Triſlings.

The SUPPLICATION.

INDULGE, kind Heav'n, nor lightly deem the Pray'r,
If bliſsful you'd beſtow the nuptial Fair;
Free be from Envy, Pride, affected Art
The gentle Partner of my Mind and Heart.
Let Strength of Wit, good Nature and good Senſe
Pure, juſt, and unalloy'd with vain Pretence
Perſpicuous ſhine; nor, hapleſs, be her Mind
In Prieſtcraft's holy Manacles confin'd,
But moral Duties point her gen'rous Way,
Yet, like the *Charites*, diſcretely gay,
And prompt, like them, her bounteous Hand extend
To aid the Helpleſs, or the Oppreſs'd befriend.
Thus amiable and courteous muſt ſhe prove
Who wins my Heart, and fixes it to Love.
Nov. 6. PROPRIUS.

LONDON.

Wedneſday in the Evening his Majeſty, who had been ſomewhat indiſpoſed, was, to the Joy of all, better.

The ſame Day his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales with others of the Royal Family, viſited his Majeſty, with whom they ſtaid ſome time.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint —— Fury, Eſq; ſecond Son of Peregrine Fury, Eſq; to be a Lieutenant in General Fleming's Regiment of Foot, in the room of Lieutenant Murreau, who has reſigned.

The King has been pleaſed to conſtitute and appoint the Right Hon. George Dunk Earl of Halifax, John Pitt, James Grenville, Eſq; Thomas Hay, Eſq; commonly called Viſc. Dupplin, Francis Fane, Charles Townſhend, and Andrew Stone, together with James Oſwald, Eſqrs. to be Commiſſioners for Trade and Plantations.

The King has been pleaſed to conſtitute and appoint Charles Pollhill, James Vernon, Robert Eyre William Burton, John Orlebar, Auguſtine Earle, David Papillon, and John Windham, Bowyer, Eſqrs. together with William Melliſh, Eſq; to be his Majeſty's Commiſſioners within England, Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, for the Management and Receipt of his Majeſty's Revenues of Exciſe, and other Duties.

Wedneſday being Chriſtmas Day, it was obſerv'd at Court as a High Feſtival, and being Collar Day, the Knights Companions of the Garter, Thiſtle, & Bath, appeared in the Collars of their reſpective Orders; but as his Majeſty nor any of the Royal Family were at the Chapel Royal, there was no Drawing room as uſual, the firſt being fixed for Tomorrow, when the Court makes their firſt Appearance in Mourning for the late Queen of Denmark.

His Majeſty, according to annual Cuſtom, has ordered his Bounty of 1000l. to be diſtributed amongſt the Poor in the following Pariſhes in the City and Liberty of Weſtminſter, viz.

St. Margaret's	St. Martin's
St. John the Evangeliſt	St. Paul, Covent-Gar.
St. George, Han. ſquare	St. Clement Danes
St. Anne's	St. Mary le Strand
St. James's	

We hear the Society of the Free Britiſh Fiſhery are going to augment their Number of Buſſes, for the next Summer ſeaſon; that a Call of 10 per Cent. is now paying in; and the Books again open'd for new ſubſcriptions towards this extenſive national Undertaking.

Saturday being St. Thomas's Day, came on the Election of Common-Council-Men in the ſeveral Wards of this City, when the Major Part that had ſerved the preceeding Year, were re-choſen. In the Ward of Cripplegate Without Mr. Francis Roberts, and Mr. Edward Farmer, were choſen in the room of Mr. Oliver Hunt, deceaſed, and Mr. Samuel Mackley. In the Ward of Alderſgate, Mr. Samuel Bates and Mr. William Tyſon, were choſen in the room of Mr. Deputy Bailey, and Mr. Robert Evans, who reſigned. In the Ward of Farringdon Without there was a Poll demanded between Mr. Thomas Nowell and Mr. James Steere, but Monday Mr. Steere reſigned. In the Ward of Aldgate Mr. Till was elected in the room of Thomas Harriſon, Eſq; Chamberlain, and Meſſ. Rogers and Platt were elected in the room of Meſſ. Stibs and Hill.

On Sunday laſt Oliver Trulove the Plaintiff, and John Matthews the Marſhal's Court Officer, made their public Submiſſion, and asked Pardon on their Knees of his Excellency Count Haſlang, the Bavarian Ambaſſador, for infringing the Law of Nations, by arreſting one of his Excellency's Domeſtics.

The Lamps, Ornaments, &c. are taken away from the Opera Houſe, erected by the Duke de Mirepoix for celebrating the Birth of the Duke of Burgundy, by which that Affair is entirely laid aſide.

Thurſday 7-Night, about 11 o'Clock, the Corpſe of the late Lord Viſcount Bolingbroke, was carried from his Seat by his own Servants, and interred privately in a Vault in Batterſea Church, without any Plate or Inſcription on his Coffin.

On Saturday laſt the Monument of the late General Gueſt in Weſtminſter Abbey was opened. The Inſcription is as follows:

Sacred
To thoſe Virtues
That adorn a Chriſtian, and a Soldier,
This Marble perpetuates the Memory
Of Lieutenant General JOSHUA GUEST,
Who cloſed a Service of Sixty Years,
By faithfully defending
EDINBURGH CASTLE
Againſt the Rebels,
1745
His Widow, who lies near him, caus'd this to be erected.

Yeſterday 7-Night two Fellows, one of whom is a Portugueſe, were taken up in Weſtminſter, and one of them has acknowledged that he with his Campanion who is now in Cuſtody with him, and another Portugueſe not yet taken, were the Perſons who murder'd Mr. Farques, Nephew to the Maſter of the Academy at Hoxton, one the 11th of June laſt. He likewiſe acknowleges that they murdered a Woman upon Tower Hill, and threw her into the Ditch. Theſe Fellows were brought laſt Sunday to Hoxton to Mr. Farques, when one of them confeſſed the Fact, with the ſeveral Particulars above mentioned.

The above Portugueſe confeſſes, that they found eleven Shillings in his Pockets, a Watch, &c. and that they went to a Public Houſe in St. Katherine's, where they ſhared two Shillings each, and ſpent the Remainder of the Money! It ſeems they had a Ticket in the Iriſh Lottery, which came up 50l. and ſome Diſpte ariſing about dividing the Money, one by Way of Revenge, impeached the others; and Monday they were committed to the Gatehouſe by Juſtice Lediard.

Tuſday ſeveral Casks of Geneva, Anniſeed, and Cherry Gin, containing upwards of 400 Gallons, were ſeized by Virtue of a Warrant from a Diſtiller in Tyburn Road, and agreeable to an Act of Parliament, the Casks were ſtaved, and the Liquor turn'd down the Channel, for ſelling of ſpirituous Liquors without a Licence.

The Commiſſioners for building Weſtminſter Bridge have completely finiſhed two Roads on the Surry ſide, the one to Newington Alms-houſes, the other croſs the Fields and Gardens from the Dog and Duck to Kennington Common. A third is likewiſe near finiſhed, which is croſs St. George's Fields to Kent-ſtreet; all which will open a great Communication into the Borough and the Counties of Kent and Surry.

Tueſday the Fiſh Market at Weſtminſter was begun to be built on the Ground firſt appointed for it, near the other Market, the Ground on which it now is kept being to complete Bridge ſtreet.

Laſt Tueſday the Coachman belonging to —— Roberts, Eſq; driving his Coach into the Thames at Richmond to wath his Wheels, and going too far, the Coach was carried down the Stream. The Coachman was ſaved by a Boat putting of to his Aſſiſtance, but one of the Horſes was drowned.

Wedneſday a Diſpute aroſe between two Gentlemen, one a Frenchman, and the other an Iriſhman, at a Merchant's Houſe in Bucklersbury; but the Frenchman's Sword being broke in the Scuffle, produced a Challenge to be decided by Sword and Piſtol as Thurſday Morning. Application being made to the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor to exert his Authority, one of the Combatants was ſecured, and the Affair was amicably adjuſted on Wedneſday Night to mutual ſatisfaction.

On Saturday laſt Mr. Adam Nixon (concerned in the Conſpiracy againſt Mr. Walpole) came before the Hon. Mr. Juſtice Foſter, one of the Judges of his Majeſty's Coort of King's Bench, and voluntarily ſurrendered himſelf in Diſcharge of his Bail, and was thereupon committed to the King's Bench Priſon accordingly.

We hear a Proclamation, offering a Reward of 100 l. for the apprehending any Street Robber, &c. will be ſhortly iſſued.

On Saturday laſt as the Rev. Dr. Terrick, one of the Reſidentiaries of St. Paul's, was coming to Town from Hereſordſhire, he was robbed near Sir Jeremy Sambrook's by a ſingle Highwayman, who ſeemed in great Fright during the whole Performance of his wicked Tranſaction. He firſt held a Piſtol to the Poſtilion, and ordered him to ſtop; then he went to the Coach, and demanded Dr. Terrick's Watch and Money; but the Doctor declaring that he had no Watch, gave him ſome Money. He directly asked for the Lady's Money, &c. and got a trifling Sum; upon which he immediately rode off, full as much terrified as thoſe he had robbed.

Wedneſday two Young Ladies were robbed at the Bottom of Barnet Hill in a Poſt Chaiſe, by a gay young ſpark about Twenty, and pitted with the Small Pox, well mounted, without Boots, who uſed them with a great deal of Civility, but upon one of the Ladies couragiouſly asking him for her Thimble, and ſomething to bear her Charges to London, he returned it, and gave the Poſt Boy a Shilling, and then rode off towards Barnett, whiſling them a good Journey.

Laſt Tueſday ſe'nnight, in the Morning, as two Butchers of Wandſworth on Horſeback, and their Drover on Foot, were going to Hounſlow to buy Cattle, they were attacked on Smalbury Green, by two Highwaymen, who preſented Piſtols, and demanded their Money; but the Drover *ſtriking* one of their Horſes with his Stick, occaſioned him to run away with his Rider, and the other ſoon followed. They were cloſely purſued by the Butchers and their Dogs, as far as Hammerſmith, where the Butchers ſtopt for more Aſſiſtance, and in the mean Time the Highwayman made their Eſcape, but miſſed a Booty of above 80 l.

We are informed from Oxford, that a few Days ago, the Cabinet of the late Dr. Shaw, Greek Profeſſor of the Univeſity, containing his valuable Collection of Coins, Foſſils, and Manuſcrips, was lodged in the Bodleian Library, purſuant to his Will.

It has been ſome time obſerved, that the Adminiſtration in Spain have been gradually changing the Face of Affairs in that Monarchy; and while they obſerve their accuſtomed ſlowneſs and procraſtination, in regard to Foreigners, have attended their own Affairs with Diligence and ſpirit, ſo that they are now in a Condition to act as their Intereſt ſhall dictate, without receiving Impreſſions from the moſt powerful of their Neighbours; as all Europe may ſufficiently learn in a little Time.

According to ſome private Letters from Madrid, the Court has actualln received Advice, that the Iſle and Fortreſs of St. Gabriel, in the River of Plate, has been put into the Hands of the Spaniſh Troops, detach'd for that purpoſe by the Governor of Buenos Ayres, in conſequence of the Treaty made for that purpoſe with the late King of Portugal; and they flatter themſelves that, by this ſtep, an End will be abſolutely put to the Contraband Trade in that part of the World.

The King of the Two Sicilies has very near completed one Port, and has given the neceſſary Orders for opening and Fortifying another; which will very much facilitate the Commerce of his ſubjects, and, conſequently, enrich his Dominions, as their Exports are very great and their Imports but of little conſequence.

They write from Naples that two of three Torrents of combuſtible Matter, proceeding from the Eruption of Mount Veſuvius, are actually ceaſed; the third, however, continues to flow, but its rapidity is greatly abated. It directs its Courſe on one ſide the Village of Boſco Trecaſe, ever ſince the 16th Inſt. the Mountain has ejected no Flames at all, only a prodigious thick Smoak.

Yesterday se'nnight No. 8687, was drawn a Prize of 2000 l. No. 6153, 1000 l. No. 54216, 500 l. 59566, 62658, 49832, 23838, 51839, & 33124, 100 l. each. 7101, 13932, 3697, 11629, 31737, 17822, 16219, 55203, 56557, 67314, 8001, 24630, and 13885, 50 l. each.

Saturday No. 20964, was drawn a Prize of 10000 l. 2103, 5000 l. 39637, 500 l. 6008, 33736, 63578, 55437, 45190, and 15694, 100 l. each. No. 25131, 7200, 18765, 56768, 27064, 30697, 3239, 50 l. each.

The 10000 l. Ticket was bought by Mr. Rivington, of St. Paul's Church Yard, for Mr. Crofts, a Bookseller at Briſtol.

The 5000 l. Ticket belongs to the following Perſons; one Third to Mr. Dennis, late a Journeyman to Mr. Potts, an Oilman in Gracechurch-ſtreet; another Third to one that was a Chamber-maid in the ſame Houſe, they were married about a Fortnight ago, and have taken a Houſe, which is now fitting up for an Oil-ſhop; and the remaining Third to a Maid-ſervant, at Mr. Mariott's, a Glover, in Leaden Hall-ſtreet.

Monday No. 24675, 8189, 12903, 68084, 44282, 55509, were drawn Prizes of 500 l. each. 31146, 19464, 58509, 12974, 100 l. each. 54285, 30056, 29970, 38333, 44608, 36094, 53062, 4491, 35587, and 1325, 50 l. each.

One of the 500 l. Prizes belongs to a Club at the Crown in Lad Lane.

Tueſday in the Afternoon, the Drawing of the Lottery was finiſhed, when No. 3723, was the laſt Ticket drawn, ſo is intitled to 1000 l. No. 860, 19456, and 3685, were drawn Prizes of 50 l. each. It happened there was not a Ticket left undrawn in the Wheel. The Wheels were immediately taken down, and drawn on Sledges to Whitehall, guarded with a Party of Foot Guards.

We hear that one of the 500 l. Prizes is the Property of the Reverend the Dean of Wells.

The Rev. Mr. Pugh, M. A. Aſſiſtant to the Head Maſter of St. Paul's School, is elected Under Maſter of the Grammar School in St. Saviour's Church-Yard, Southwark.

We hear that a Banker of great Eminence in Madrid has lately failed; which muſt affect many People in different Parts in Europe.

We hear from Lewes in Suſſex, that the Smugglers are ſtill ſo audacious in thoſe Parts, that a Gang of them came to the Lodgings of Mr. Anderſon, an Officer belonging to the Hawkers and Peddlers Office, and with many Imprecations ſwore that they would Murder him, (miſtaking him for a Cuſtom-Houſe Officer) but by the Tears and Intreaties of his Wife, they were with great Difficulty perſwaded to deſiſt.

They write from Dublin, that on the 14th Inſt. the Reverend Doctor Joſiah Hott, Archbiſhop of Tuam, whoſe Death is a real Loſs to the Public, as he was a great Promoter of the Proteſtant Charity-ſchools and other Public Charities in that Kingdom, as well as an Encourager of Arts and Sciencies. It is ſaid that his Grace will be ſucceeded by Dr. [illegible] Biſhop of Meath; that the Biſhop of Kildare will be tranſlated to Meath; the Biſhop of Clonfret to Kildare; the Biſhop of Killala to Clonfret; Dr. [illegible], Dean of Derry, will be made Biſhop of Killala; and the Lord Viſcount Strangford Dean of Derry.

Mr. Keith perceiving by the News-Papers, it has been artfully inſinuated, that his Chapel in May-fair is removed lower down, this is to ſatisfy the Public, that the Chapel ſet up in the Sun Tavern one Pair of Stairs, is not Mr. Keith's; but Mr. Keith's Chapel continues where it was before, namely, within Ten Yards of the Great Chapel, where the Marriages are performed by a regular Clergyman for a Guinea 'till Four o'Clock as uſual, with a Licence on a Five Shilling Stamp, and Certificate.

Paris A la-main, Dec. 31.

Laſt Night between ſix and ſeven, was played off the Grand Firework in the Park of Verſailles, oppoſite the Gallery of the Caſtle of Verſailles. There were Rehearſals before and after, a Drawing Room, and ſeveral Repreſentation of Play in the Gallery, which was illuminated with a great Number of Chryſtal Branches & Candelabres, ornamented with Garlands of Flowers. His Majeſty having given Orders, that the Mob ſhould be let in during ſupper, to have a ſight of the Fireworks and drawing Room, the Crowd was ſo great, eſpecially at the King's Apartment, that the upper Part of the Stairs leading to it, giving way, many fell down and were much bruiſed.

Prince Charles de Lorrain, Grand Equerry of France, died in this City on the 29th Inſtant in the 70th Year of his Age. He was likewiſe Governor of Picardy.

There is now a Scheme upon the Tapis for the Erection in this City of an Office, the Managers whereof are to be diſtinguiſhed by the Name of the Charitable Society.

By the Conditions of the abovementioned Plan, it is agreed that the poor ſhall be furniſhed on proper ſecurity as far as 12 Livres without paying any Intereſt for the Loan; but ſuch private Perſons as ſhall have Occaſion to borrow larger Sums are to repay the principal and Intereſt at a certain ſum therein particular ſpecified per Ann. in order to defray the Diſburſements which muſt unavoidably attend the Eſtabliſhment of ſuch an Office.

The laudable View which is propoſed by the Proſecution of this Plan, is to extirpate Idleneſs, to promote Trade and Commerce, and to prove a comfortable ſuccour and ſupport to our induſtrious Poor.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Norwich, Dec. 21. We hear from Swaffham, that on Saturday laſt, about four o'Clock in the Afternoon, a moſt barbarous Piece of Villainy was committed about two Miles from that Place. A young Sailor coming from Dearham, was ſtopt by a Footpad, who demanded his Money, (which only amounted to Eightpence Halfpenny) and whilſt the Robber was ſtooping for it, the ſailor knocked him down; upon which a Comrade ſtarted out of the Hedge and ſeized the Sailor, and the Rogue who made the Attack recovering himſelf, they dragged the ſailor to a ſtyle, and there ſwore they'd cut his Arm off, but one of them altered the Sentence to cutting off his Fingers, (by way of Mark as they were pleaſed to term it) which was moſt cruelly executed by cutting off three from the Right Hand with a Hedging Hook. He deſcribes the Rogues as follows: One of them a tall Man, between 30 and 40 with a light coloured Rugg Coat, and wears his own brown Hair; (this Man made the Attack;) the other much lower, in the ſame ſort of Coat, and a greyiſh Wig, both of them armed with Hedging Hooks, and as they had no other Arms, 'tis conjectured they belong to that Neighbourhood, and diligent ſearch is making after them. The ſailor ſays, he is ſure he left a Mark where he ſtruck the Rogue, which may be a Means to diſcover him.

Glouceſter, Dec. 23. Laſt Monday were found murdered at Cut Mill in the Pariſh of Weſtbury in this County, the Wife of John Jones, and his Niece, whilſt he was at Mitchell Dean Market. As nobody beſides was in or near the Houſe, 'tis impoſſible as yet to get any certain Particulars in regard to the Murderer: The Woman received four Wounds, on her Temples, and the Niece ſeven, four on her Temples one on her Forehead, and one on each Jaw; a Box was broke open, in Expectation of meeting with ſome Money, but there was none.

Birmingham, Dec. 23. Laſt Tueſday a Servant of Mr. Simpſon's an Attorney of Litchfield, who was that Day diſmiſs'd from his Maſter's ſervice, robbed him of 100 l. and rode off with one of his beſt Horſes.

Bath, Dec 23. Laſt Wedneſday at Mr. Brown's Theatre, was acted the Tragedy of the Orphan, with a Pantomime Entertainment called Harlequin reſtored, for the Benefit of the General Hoſpital; on which Occaſion the Sum of Thirty-two Pounds Eleven Shillings and Sixpence was paid to the General Hoſpital without the leaſt Deduction whatever.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Genoa, Dec. 13. An Academy for the Promotion and Encouragement of Painting, Sculpture, and Military and Civil Architecture, is now actually eſtabliſhed under the Patronage and Protection of our ſenate.

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On the 5th Inſtant their firſt public Aſſembly was held in the Palace of the Marquis Giovanni Franciſco Brignoli da Sala, perpetual ſenator, who has acted as Doge, and has behaved himſelf in that important Dignity with that Honour and Applauſe, and that tender and paternal Regard for the Welfare and Proſperity of his Country, that his Name is precious to every true-born Genoeſe.

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